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It was the 50th year for the Jefferson Barracks remembrance ceremony. It began as it always does, with the quiet and dignified parade of flags.

Participants were dressed in the uniforms of all the wars that the United States has been a part of. Hundreds of people turned out on this warm day, including veterans, old and young, families and friends.

The 50th anniversary program included three prominent politicians; Congressman Russ Carnahan of the third district, U.S. Senator Claire McCaskill and Governor Jay Nixon.

The speakers urged the crowd to remember the men and women currently in service as well as their loved ones.

"Each day, we owe it to the outstanding men and women of our armed services for their dedicated service to our great nation, and to especially honor those who have fallen in the line of duty to their country," Carnahan said.

Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery is the fifth largest U.S. cemetery. Military personnel from all wars are interred at the cemetery.

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